

## Morning Worship – 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent, 3 April 2022

### ***Introduction***

The grace and mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you. **And also with you.**

### ***Prayer for Flames***

***Hymn of Praise:*** Praise my Soul the King of Heaven

### ***The Commandments:***

Let's hear the commandments which God has given to us, and let us examine our hearts.

I am the Lord your God: You shall have no other gods but me...

**Amen. Lord, have mercy.**

You shall not make for yourself any idol...

**Amen. Lord, have mercy.**

You shall not dishonour the name of the Lord your God...

**Amen. Lord, have mercy.**

Remember the Sabbath and keep it holy...

**Amen. Lord, have mercy.**

Honour your father and mother...

**Amen. Lord, have mercy.**

You shall not commit murder...

**Amen. Lord, have mercy.**

You shall not commit adultery...

**Amen. Lord, have mercy.**

You shall not steal...

**Amen. Lord, have mercy.**

You shall not bear false witness against your neighbour...

**Amen. Lord, have mercy.**

You shall not covet anything which belongs to your neighbour...

**Amen. Lord, have mercy upon us and write all these laws in our hearts.**

### ***Acknowledging our weaknesses:***

**God of healing, God of wholeness, we bring our brokenness, our sinfulness, our fears and despair, and lay them at your feet.**

**God of healing, God of wholeness, we hold our hearts and hands, minds and souls to feel your touch, and know the peace that only you can bring.**

**God of healing, God of wholeness, in this precious moment and through your presence and power grant us faith and confidence that here broken lives are made whole. Amen.**

***Song:*** He will hold me fast

### ***The Word of the Lord:***

Isaiah 43.16-21 and Philippians 3.10-14

*Ending with* This is the Word of the Lord: **Thanks be to God.**

### ***Talk***

Remember, Forget, Trust and Press Onwards.

***Song:*** Yet not I but through Christ in me

### ***Gospel reading:***

John 12.1-8

*Ending with* This is the Word of the Lord: **Thanks be to God.**

### ***An account by Mary, sister of Martha***

*Silence and a prayer*

***Song:*** Knowing You

### ***Our Faith:***

**We believe that our lives are held within the encircling love of God, who knows our names and recognises our deepest needs. We believe that Christ is the divine Child of the living God, and that his grace is like living waters that can never be exhausted. We believe in the birthing, renewing, enabling Spirit of God who yearns over our welfare as a mother yearns for her child. We believe that God is in the arid desert as well as in green pastures, and that hard times and disciplines are also loving gifts. We believe that our journey has a purpose and a destination, and that our path leads to a human glory we cannot yet imagine. We believe that in the Church we are fellow pilgrims on the road, and that we are called to love one another as God loves us. This is our faith and we are humbled to profess in Jesus the Christ. Amen.**

*(Patmos Abbey – the order of Saint Columbia)*

### ***Prayers***

*Concluding with the Lord's Prayer:*

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours now and for ever. Amen.**

### ***Notices***

***Song:*** I could sing of Your love forever

### ***Concluding Prayer:***

God of grace and peace, give us perspective on our national and global problems in light of the gospel of the Kingdom of God:

**Give us grace and peace.**

Grant that we may have the heart of Martha, understanding our responsibility and calling to be peacemakers:

**Willing to work hard to set things right.**

Grant that we may have the heart of Mary, understanding that the presence of Jesus in our midst is the most important thing to seek:

**Willing to seek first your kingdom.**

Grant that we may have patience with the mess we are in, understanding that transformation is a process:

**Willing to take the first steps.**

May we know the treasure of the presence of Christ:

**The peace of the presence of God.**

God among us: **God with us.**

And may we set our distractions aside, making space to hear your voice, and only then setting about our work:

**To be the hands and feet of Christ in a worried world. Amen.**

The grace